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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: July 26, 2016

DATE: July 6, 2016
TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: James Popovich, Specialty Courts Manager, Second Judicial District Court
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THROUGH: Jackie Bryant, District Court Administrator and Clerk of Court

SUBJECT: Request that the Board of County Commissioners retroactively acknowledge the grant award from the State of Nevada, Administrative Office of the Courts to the Second Judicial District Court, in the amount of \$1,163,448 (no match required), to support the Specialty Court programs, effective July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

The Second Judicial District Court has been awarded \$1,163,448 in grant funding to support existing and newly-funded Specialty Court programs. This award will be used to help fund the Adult Drug, Diversion, Veterans, Felony DUI, Family Drug, Family Mental Health, Mental Health, Medication Assisted Treatment, and Youth Offender Drug Courts. The costs to the Court associated with serving these populations include substance abuse and mental health treatment, drug testing, operational expenses, salaries and benefits for District Court's Specialty Court staff, bus passes, and incentives.

County Priority supported by this item: Safe, secure and healthy communities.

PREVIOUS ACTION

No previous Board action.

BACKGROUND

This grant award for fiscal year 2017 includes a State of Nevada general fund appropriation and funding made available through the 2003 passage of Assembly Bill 29 (NRS 176.0613). These funds are distributed by the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), and awarded to each District, statewide. A requirement of any Court receiving AOC funds is that they comply with best practices and specific criteria outlined in *Nevada Specialty Court Funding Guidelines and Criteria*, as established by the Specialty Court Funding Committee and approved by the Judicial Council of the State of Nevada.

AGENDA ITEM # 8

The 78th session of the Nevada Legislature provided a general fund appropriation of three million dollars each year of the biennium to enhance specialty court programs. The Administrative Office of the Courts sent a request for applications in April 2016 to each participating District statewide to submit applications for new or existing Specialty Courts for fiscal year 2017. The Second Judicial District Court applied for and was awarded funding for its existing Youth Offender, Medication Assisted Treatment, and Northern Nevada Regional Mental Health Courts, for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, in the amount of \$244,296.

Assembly Bill 29 (NRS 176.0613) established the State of Nevada Specialty Court Funding Committee in 2003. Since that time, the Committee has overseen the application process, set standards for funding criteria, and makes recommendations to the Statewide Judicial Council for the distribution of funds. The Second Judicial District Court has received grant funding each year through the AB29 appropriation for Adult Drug, Diversion, Family Drug, Family Mental Health, Felony DUI, Mental Health, and Veterans Courts. The AOC has awarded the Second Judicial District Court \$919,152 for fiscal year 2017 for these Courts.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: Second Judicial District Court's Specialty Courts.

Scope of the Project: The Second Judicial District Court will contract with community providers for substance abuse and mental health treatment and drug testing as well as pay for costs associated with operational expenses, salaries and benefits for District Court's Specialty Court staff, bus passes, and incentives.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: The goal of Specialty Courts is to assist the substance abusing defendants in becoming productive members of society, through abstaining from any further illicit drug use and preventing recidivism.

On-Going Program Support: These funds are made available through the Administrative Office of the Courts and will support the Second Judicial District Court's needs in providing professional services for its Specialty Courts and to maintain compliance with the funding criteria and drug court best practices. These programs rely on annual grant funding from the AOC.

Award Amount: \$1,163,448

Grant Period: July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

Funding Source: State of Nevada, Administrative Office of the Courts – three million dollar, statewide, specialty court, general fund appropriation and AB29 funding.

Pass Through Entity: N/A

CFDA Number: N/A

Grant ID Number: N/A

Match Amount and Type: N/A

Sub-Awards and Contracts: The Second Judicial District Court will contract with Northern Nevada HOPES (Youth Offender Court) in the amount of \$30,000, Quest Counseling and Consulting (Medication Assisted Treatment Court) for counseling services, in the amount of \$156,154 and Rocky Mountain Offender Management Systems (Adult Drug, Diversion, Family Mental Health, Youth Offender Drug Courts) for drug testing services, in the amount of \$299,097. Based on the selected vendor, who is yet to be determined, the Court will also contract with a local provider for substance abuse counseling services for Adult Drug and Family Drug Courts.

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board acknowledge this grant award the adopted budget will be amended in the following accounts:

Internal Order	G/L Account	Amount
20419	471220	\$50,991.00
20419	710100	\$50,500.00
20419	710300	\$491.00
20418	471220	\$185,805.00
20418	710100	\$184,605.00
20418	710300	\$1,200.00
20417	471220	\$7,500.00
20417	710100	\$6,000.00
20417	710500	\$1,500.00
20306	471220	\$1,278.53
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20340	471220	-\$27,182.80
20340	701110	-\$27,182.80

Budget amendments in the total amount of \$218,392 are necessary to bring the budget into alignment with the grant award amount. The total of these amendments do not equal the total grant award of \$1,163,448 because a portion of the grant award was already included in the FY17 budget.

Indirect costs are not included in the grant budget. There are no allowable indirect costs in this grant budget.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners retroactively acknowledge the grant award from the State of Nevada, Administrative Office of the Courts to the Second Judicial District Court, in the amount of \$1,163,448 (no match required), to support the Specialty Court programs, effective July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Move that the Board of County Commissioners retroactively acknowledge the grant award from the State of Nevada, Administrative Office of the Courts to the Second Judicial District Court, in the amount of \$1,163,448 (no match required), to support the Specialty Court programs, effective July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. (All Commission Districts)